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Applicant: RUDOLF EHRMAIER ET AL.  
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Title: ELECTRONIC UNIT AND PROCESS FOR AUTOMATICALLY  
ACTIVATING A MOTOR VEHICLE PARKING BRAKE

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in  
response to the Office Action dated August 28, 2002.

IN THE DRAWINGS:

A Request for Permission to Amend Figure 1 is attached.

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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace paragraph [0003] with the following:

[0003] From German patent document DE 196 25 019 A1, for example, an  
electronic control unit is known in the form of a transmission control device,  
which in addition to other vehicle functions is used for automatically activating a